

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20462

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Donna M. Anderson, Treasurer
National Republican Congressional Committee –
Expenditures
320 First Street
Washington, DC 20003

Identification Number:

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Reference:

Amended March Monthly Report (2/1/01-2/28/01) received 4/17/02

Dear Ms. Anderson:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses in-kind contributions ("donations") from corporations on Schedule H4, supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page (pertinent portions attached). Pursuant to Advisory Opinion 1992-33, the Commission concluded that a "national party committee may accept corporate in-kind donations in connection with fundraising activities" as long as "the federal share of goods or services is paid or transferred to the non-federal account in advance" of the acceptance of the corporate in-kind donations by the federal account.

Advisory Opinion 1992-33 also discloses a detailed method for reporting the receipt and use of in-kind contributions as follows:

- 1. The transfer of the in-kind corporate contribution from the non-federal account to the federal account should be disclosed on Schedule H3. The itemization on Schedule H3 should include the date the Committee received the in-kind contribution, the amount of the contribution and the fundraising event involved.
- The use or expenditure of in-kind corporate contributions should be disclosed on Schedule H4 as non-federal share disbursements. The

itemization should provide the same donor identification information required on a Schedule A for in-kind contributions for Federal elections.

3. A second entry on Schedule H4 should then disclose the advance or contemporaneous payment of the federal account's share of the in-kind corporate contribution to the non-federal account.

Please amend your report to properly disclose the in-kind corporate contributions received by your committee (example enclosed).

-Your EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE calculations for 313-323 are incorrect. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for administrative and voter drive costs are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year for Administrative/Voter Drive categoty. whole the YEAR-TO-DATE totals for fundraising, direct candidate support, and exempt activities are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year within a specific event. These should be calculated by adding the latest disbursement for a category or event to the previous EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total for that category or event. This running EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total should be disclosed after each disbursement is Please amend your report by providing the correct EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals.

A response or amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. <u>Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, tather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.</u>

Sincerely,

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